UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.	
10/789,246	02/27/2004	Jeffrey David Bettencourt	03-862-B	9463	
	7590 02/20/200 BOEHNEN HULBER	9 RT & BERGHOFF LLP	EXAM	IINER	
300 S. WACKE	300 S. WACKER DRIVE			CORDERO GARCIA, MARCELA M	
	32ND FLOOR CHICAGO, IL 60606		ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER	
			1654		
			MAIL DATE	DELIVERY MODE	
			02/20/2009	PAPER	

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

	Application No.	Applicant(s)				
	10/789,246	BETTENCOURT B	ET AL.			
Notice of Abandonment	Examiner	Art Unit				
	MARCELA M. CORDERO GARCIA	1654				
The MAILING DATE of this communication app	ears on the cover sheet with the c	orrespondence addr	ess			
This application is abandoned in view of:						
1. Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 25 July 2008. (a) A reply was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of month(s)) which expired on						
(b) A proposed reply was received on, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection.						
(A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).						
(c) ☐ A reply was received on but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 7 below).						
(d) ☑ No reply has been received.						
2. Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).						
(a) The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).						
(b) The submitted fee of \$ is insufficient. A balance	e of \$ is due.					
The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$ The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$						
(c) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.						
3. Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).						
(a) Proposed corrected drawings were received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.						
(b) ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.						
4. The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants.						
5. The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application.						
6. The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.						
7. 🔀 The reason(s) below:						
Applicant's representative (Emily Miao) confirmed abandonment in a telephonic message on 5 February 2009.						
/Marcela M Cordero Garcia/ Examiner, Art Unit 1654	/Anish Gupta/ Primary Examiner, Art Uni	t 1654				
Petitions to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b), or requests to withdraminimize any negative effects on patent term. U.S. Patent and Trademark Office	aw the holding of abandonment under 37	CFR 1.181, should be pro	romptly filed to			